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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116  
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE  
GROUP 2623  
PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

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For: MEDICAL IMAGE PROCESSING METHOD AND APPARATUS

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated June 30, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as follows on the accompanying pages.